

## **Attachment B-4**

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**Resolution No.:**

Meeting Date: August 3, 2011

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WHEREAS, Government Code section 51200 et seq., the State of California Land Conservation Act, more commonly referred to as the Williamson Act, provides that a county may establish agricultural preserves and landowners within those preserves may enter into a contract to restrict land uses for the purposes of preservation and have their land assessed on the restricted use rather than the market value; and

WHEREAS, On September 11, 1968 (5), the Board of Supervisors adopted Board Policy I-38 Agricultural Preserves establishing certain requirements for Agricultural Preserves and Williamson Act contracts; and

WHEREAS, On September 28, 2010 (17), the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution temporarily suspending the Williamson Act/County Agricultural Preserve Program in response to State funding reductions; and

WHEREAS, On April 13, 2011 (1.54), the Board of Supervisors directed the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare documents necessary to implement a focused Williamson Act Program that supports the viability of farming in areas with decreased density from the General Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the information contained in Volumes 1 through 4 of the Draft Final Environmental Impact Report dated August of 2011, and associated documents on file with the Department of Planning and Land Use as Environmental Review Number 02-ZA-001 prior to taking action on the project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors takes the following actions:

1. Certify that the Final Environmental Impact Report has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and that it reflects the Board of Supervisor's independent judgment and analysis.
2. Adopt the Findings Regarding Significant Effects prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.

3. Adopt the Statement of Overriding Considerations prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093.
4. Adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15097.
5. Terminate the temporary suspension of new participation in the County of San Diego's Williamson Act/County Agricultural Preserve Program.
6. Approve revisions to applicable provisions of Board Policy I-38 Agricultural Preserves as they relate to the establishment of new preserves or new contracts in order to focus the program in areas with decreased density from the General Plan Update. (Attachment F-1).